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# What Should Introductory Courses Do?

## **Stritch Courses**

- ASB 110 Personal and Professional Development
- CMB 502 Fundamentals of Executive Management
- MGT 306 Principles of Self Management
- MGT 405 Management and Leadership
- MGT 505 Advanced Management and Leadership

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## **Student Needs**

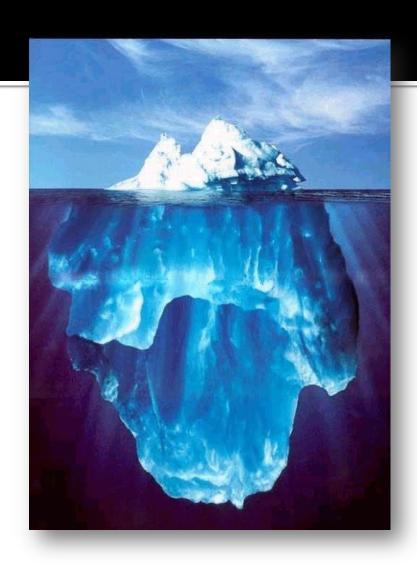
- Motivational Needs
  - Why am I here?
  - What do I wish to attain (career incentive)?
  - Will I finish the program?
  - What level of commitment will I have to make?
- Functional Needs
  - What will make me academically successful?
  - What skills must I acquire?

#### **Motivational Needs**

- Sense of "self agency"...fostering a belief in my own capabilities (I know I can!)
- Confidence in your ability to complete the Program by:
  - Acquiring knowledge of "accelerated learning"?
  - Determination of differences from "traditional learning"?
  - Acting responsibly independent of course instructional environment

#### **Functional Needs**

- Acquire the basic tools
  - SWOT analysis of Self
  - Function well as a cohort (Service Learning)
  - APA literacy
  - Research Methods
- In Masters Program provide Capstone information



# **Masters Programs**

- Capstone Project
  - What is it?
  - How is it part of a <u>cumulative</u> <u>process</u>?
  - To what extent does "habit" determine successful completion?
- Successful Students are able to:
  - Write clearly utilizing APA methodologies
  - Research deeply the subject at hand



## Summary

- Introductory courses are designed to:
  - Give students a sense of self control
  - Provide guidance for program completion
  - Foster student self reliance
  - Provide an "overview" of the Program of Study
  - Provide an introduction to the rigor of analysis required for program completion.
- All this is independent of course content and/or instructor competence!